



CITY OF DANBURY

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

Conservation Commission

Feb.25, 2013

7:00 p.m.

City Hall – Room 3C

Meeting Minutes

The meeting opened at approximately 7:07 p.m.

Members present: Linda Murray - Chairwoman, Shaun McColgan - Secretary, Ed Moore, Brian Batterson - Commissioners.

Absent/Excused: Ed Prybylski – Vice Chairman, Kim Botelho, and Peter Jennings.

Guests: Jack Robbins (prospective new Advisor).

Public speaking: None.

Item: Approval of minutes of December 17, 2012. Motion to approve by Ed M, seconded by Lin, and approved by all. There was no January meeting due to weather.

Reports:

Still River Greenway (SRG): Ed Siergiej is the new Chairman of the Still River Alliance (SRA). He is doing a lot of clean up and organizing. Ed M will attend the next SRA meeting on March 20, 2013. June 8th is scheduled as SRG Celebration Day.

Old Quarry Nature Center (OQNC): Brian reported on a tree down across a trail that will need removal. The OQNC has seen more visitors lately. There is still some budget money left for field house work and Lin welcomes suggestions.

Bear Mountain Reservation (BMR): There is a very large tree down across the blue trail that will require a good deal of work to cut up and remove. There are some other trees down on other trails too. Lin has started a project to renovate the barn foundation at the trailhead to make it accessible to the public.

Farrington Woods trails: a map has been made of the trails.

Budget Management: There are some funds left in the budget for needed project work or equipment.

New Business:

New representative for SRA: Nothing new to report.

Representative needed for parks and Rec Commission: According to city ordinance (2-55) a Commissioner is needed as a representative to the Parks and Rec Commission.

There are four meetings annually. All Commissioners were asked to consider accepting this assignment. The next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2013.

Report on Ad Hoc Committee: Lin reported that the City Council has established an ad hoc committee to consider our request to add alternates to our Commission. Lin is part of the ad hoc committee.



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CT Trails Day: June 1st is the official day and the Commission will be participating with programs at BMR and OQNC. School flyers will be developed for Pembroke and South St. schools, and possibly others.

Other maintenance needs and improvements: Nothing new.

Motion to adjourn by Shaun, seconded by Brian, and approved by all.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., Room 3C, City Hall.

Submitted by: Shaun McColgan – Commission Secretary. 03/08/13